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THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 5, 1953

A slug-abled morning. We did not leave the hotel until 9:40 and went about 50 kilometers in the direction of Barcelona to a fine-looking farm which did not appear as drought-stricken as the others we have seen. It was, I think, called "Beljafel" and our host was Senor Yravedra. It was a splendid shoot, in perfect weather. We killed 317 partridges and a few hares. I picked up 29 partridges and, like the others, lost a good many since for some reason there are no retrievers. With twelve guns at work, this must represent a loss of at least 10 percent in the pickup.

We had dinner in a picturesque inn about 25 kilometers from Madrid in a town where was situated the oldest university in Spain, now discontinued, but magnificent buildings - so far as one could judge in the darkness - extant. Tremendous lot of food, drink and laughter. I was in bed soon after twelve but some of the others went ^{out} to make a night of it since we have no shooting scheduled for tomorrow.

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